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Senator Perchlik of Washington District moves that the bill be amended as follows:

First: By striking out Sec. B. 203, defender general - assigned counsel, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. B. 203 to read as follows:

Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel

Personal services	7,887,975
Operating expenses	<u>64,500</u>
Total	7,952,475

Source of funds

General fund	<u>7,952,475</u>
Total	7,952,475

Second: By striking out Sec. B.208, public safety - administration, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. B.2028 to read as follows:

Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration

Personal services	6,289,651
Operating expenses	6,380,415
Grants	<u>278,285</u>
Total	12,948,351

Source of funds

General fund	7,630,863
Special funds	4,105

1	Federal funds	1,089,155
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,224,228</u>
3	Total	12,948,351

4 Third: In Sec. B.1100, fiscal year 2026 one-time appropriations, by striking
5 out subdivision (n) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new
6 subdivision (n) to read as follows:

7 (n) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year
8 2026, funds are appropriated for the following:

9 (1) \$9,100,000 General Fund for the Vermont Bond Bank Vermont
10 Infrastructure Sustainability Fund;
11 (2) \$14,500,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Finance
12 Agency Rental Revolving Loan Fund, the Middle-Income Homeownership
13 Development Program, and the First Generation Homebuyer Program. No less
14 than \$1,000,000 of these funds shall be for the First Generation Homebuyer
15 Program;

16 (3) \$4,300,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Improvement
17 Program 2.0 and for staff to support the Program; and

18 (4) \$15,000 General Fund for the Residential Universal Design Study
19 Committee.

20 **Fourth:** In Sec. B.1101, fiscal year 2025 closeout, in subsection (a), by
21 striking out “\$138,520,000” and inserting “\$138,970,000” in lieu thereof.

1 **Fifth:** In Sec. B.1103(a)(3)(A), one-time capital appropriations, by striking
2 out “\$1,000,000” and inserting “\$1,100,000” in lieu thereof.

3 **Sixth:** In Sec. C.102, fiscal year 2025 fund transfers, in subdivision
4 (b)(2)(B), by striking out “\$8,037,352” and inserting “\$8,242,871” in lieu
5 thereof.

6 **Seventh:** In Sec. C.102, fiscal year 2025 fund transfers, in subdivision
7 (b)(3), by striking out “\$65,060,450.50” and inserting “\$65,260,450.50” in lieu
8 thereof.

9 **Eighth:** In Sec. D.101, fund transfers, following subdivision (a)(1)(H) by
10 inserting a new subdivision (a)(1)(I) to read as follows:

11 (I) Farm Security Special Fund: \$1,000,000.

12 **Ninth:** In Sec. D.102, reversions, by striking out “\$5,000,000.00” and
13 inserting “\$6,000,000.00” in lieu thereof.

14 **Tenth:** By striking out Sec. E.100, positions, in its entirety and inserting in
15 lieu thereof a new Sec. E.100 to read as follows:

16 Sec. E.100 POSITIONS

17 (a) The establishment of 12 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year
18 2026 for the following:

19 (1) Permanent classified positions:

20 (A) Office of the Attorney General:

21 (i) one Pre-charge Administrator.

22 (B) Office of the Secretary of State:

1 (i) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV.

2 (C) Green Mountain Care Board:

3 (i) one Reference-based Pricing Director;

4 (ii) one Reference-based Pricing Project Manager; and

5 (iii) one Operations, Procurement, and Contractual Oversight
6 Manager.

7 (D) Department of Fish and Wildlife:

8 (i) one Fish and Wildlife Specialist.

9 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

10 (A) State Labor Relations Board:

11 (i) one Staff Attorney; and

12 (ii) one Labor Relations IT Staff.

13 (B) Office of the Attorney General:

14 (i) one Assistant Attorney General.

15 (C) Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs:

16 (i) one Financial and IT Specialist; and

17 (ii) two Transport Deputies.

18 (b) The establishment of four permanent positions to be established through
19 existing vacant positions is authorized in fiscal year 2026 for the following:

20 (1) Permanent classified positions:

21 (A) Criminal Justice Council:

22 (i) one Canine Head Trainer.

1 (B) Cannabis Control Board:

2 (i) one Compliance and Enforcement Attorney.

3 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

4 (A) Human Rights Commission:

5 (i) one Intake Specialist; and

6 (ii) one Staff Attorney Investigator.

7 (c) The establishment of one classified limited service position is

8 authorized in fiscal year 2026:

9 (1) Office of the State Treasurer:

10 (A) one Climate Superfund Specialist.

11 (d) The conversion of 11 limited service positions to permanent exempt

12 status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:

13 (1) Land Use Review Board:

14 (A) two District Coordinators.

15 (2) Department of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs:

16 (A) six Deputy State’s Attorneys;

17 (B) two Legal Assistants; and

18 (C) one Victim Advocate.

19 Eleventh: In Sec. E.127.3, calculation of federal funding appropriation

20 reduction, in subdivision (b)(2)(B)(i), following “pursuant to”, by striking out

21 “32 V.S.A. § 308c(b)(3)” and inserting “Sec. E.127.4 of this act” in lieu

22 thereof.

- 1 Twelfth: In Sec. E.504.3, adult education funding; report, by striking out
- 2 subsection (d) in its entirety.